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The democratic senatorial caucus. The first thing to be done is the appointment of a committee to arrange the committee assignments. The next thing is to elect the officers of the new Senate.

The selection of the officers may be completed tomorrow morning. The democrats, having a clear working majority, are in absolute control of the Senate and will arrange all these matters to suit their own pleasure. The republicans will have the chairmanships of but a few unimportant committees and nearly all the offices attached to that august body will be promptly vacated. The four most important committees—the select committee on the appropriations, the judiciary, the finance and the foreign affairs committees. These will go to Messrs. Cockrell, Coke, Voorhees and Morgan.

There is some talk about a postponement of the election of officers until after the Congress has met in regular session or until the fall session if one called. This seems to have no other foundation, however, than the wishes of the present employees and of some of the candidates for office. It is believed that their chances of success might be improved by delay. There is little doubt that the reorganization bill would pass promptly and the reorganization be made complete during this week. It is believed that no names except that of George A. Bland of Indiana will be presented for congress at large, although W. T. Atkinson and several others have been spoken of for the place. There are several candidates for the secretaryship, although W. T. Atkinson is a close run between Col. L. Q. Washington of Virginia, who was the former caucus nominee when the democrats expected to elect and did not, and ex-senator John C. Hunter of Kentucky, who is being pressed by Senator Ransom. Both men are strong, but Washington is better known among politicians and besides having a very large political following in the Senate, he is good will of the newspaper men, being himself one of the oldest of the Washington correspondents. Atkinson is a native Kentuckian and though it is thought that he will be elected and the fight is close enough to him in doubt.

To SEE THE BALL ROOM.

Thousands attend the Concerts by the Marine Band today.

Everybody did not go to the ball Saturday night. That was evident today when the crowds poured into the pension building to see the decorations and arrangements which had been opened to the public and it had been a free show a curious throng would have been expected as a matter of course. But in this case the curiosity of the public cost them exactly 50 cents a head. To be sure there was a concert by the Marine Band thrown in, and while the reputation of that famous organization is the presence of the band was the main feature of the concerts held this morning and afternoon was the finely decorated hall where the inaugural ball was held. It was a scene that fully repaid a visit. All the decorations had been planned and the trailing vines so profusely used in the decorations had begun to droop. The bright sunlight instead of the flood of artificial light from the chandeliers had been absorbed to a large extent in the canopy of white and gold which formed the beautifully draped ceiling of the ball room. The light that filled the hall was soft and diffused, and the decorations, though wearing a somewhat dissipated air, were still wonderfully effective, and it was not necessary to reserve the opinion that this was one of the best magnificent ball rooms of recent days.

The concert by the Marine Band began at 10 o'clock. The program was quite rare and audience. After strolling around and seeing what was to be seen, the people sat down and enjoyed the fine program which Prof. Fanciulli conducted. The decorations were superb for their entertainment. This affair there was another concert at 8 o'clock.

In regard to the President and the members of the cabinet and their families will attend the concert this evening at the pension building.

Nominations Unacted Upon.

With the adjournment of the United States Senate Saturday several important nominations were left upon the Senate calendar awaiting action. The most important of these are the successor to Judge Jackson and the vacancy created by the Senate's refusal to confirm the nomination of Mr. J. V. L. Findlay of Baltimore as Chilean ambassador. The President will also have the appointment of the successor to Gen. Carr, and the resignation of Mr. McKim of the vacant vacancy to Col. Otis. The Senate also left unacted upon the names of Lieut. Dapray to be major and paymaster and that of Lieut. Kirby as captain of infantry and appointments to the army the President will fare well at the beginning of his administration, as he has two regiments of his brigade and command of the other a majorship in the pay corps, at his disposal the first day of his term.

A Chair for the President.

Among the articles displayed at the White House Saturday afternoon for President Cleveland was an immense throne-like chair, made of locust boughs, with the sentence, "Public office is a public trust," conspicuously displayed on the front.

How the Senators Stand.

The New York World this morning prints the result of a poll of the new Senate on the repeal of the Sherman silver law, the repeal of the McKinley tariff and the action of Hawaii. According to its report, twenty-one senators are in favor of the repeal of the Sherman silver law, twenty-eight opposed to repeal, while sixteen are non-committal. In regard to the McKinley law forty-nine Senators declare themselves in opposition to repeal, three oppose the repeal and nine are non-committal. On the Hawaiian question forty vote for annexation when opportunity offers, while twenty oppose it. Twenty-five refuse to express their views on the subject of annexation.

Free Trip to the World's Fair.

Captain J. M. Jones, a member of THE STAR each evening and give them to your favorite letter carrier and policeman. They may be too hasty to ask for them. Bring or send them to Mr. J. M. Jones, Juvenile Editor, The Star, New York avenue near 14th st.—Advt.

SATURDAY'S TWENTY-PAGE STAR is an admirable addition to the usual ceremonial ceremonies. Copies wrapped for mailing can be delivered at THE STAR office.

NEW BASE BALL RULES.

They Will Be Considered by the National League in New York.

The annual spring meeting of the National League will begin at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, New York, tomorrow.

Tuesday

Tomorrow may be given over by the club owners to routine business and an informal discussion of the playing schedule, to be submitted by N. E. Young, the president. The schedule, however, as usual, will be the last thing formally adopted. Active work on the proposed changes in the playing rules may not get fully under way until Wednesday.

Messrs. Byrne, Brush and Lordenhorst compose the rules committee, and while they have agreed upon a report, as already published in THE STAR, several alterations and amendments are being suggested. One of the suggestions is to put back the pitcher to the center of the diamond, or sixty-three feet from the home base instead of ninety feet. Another suggestion is to ball about eight feet further than under the old rule.

The idea of rewarding a player whose sacrifice advances the fielding play—a player a good one.

A Beautiful Game.

From the Atlanta Constitution.

A girl who is known as "the white rider" is frequently seen in the mountainous regions of North Carolina at odd hours of the night. Mounted on a swift horse she glides the moonbeams from hill to hill, warning them of the approach of the revenue officials. She is said to be a very beautiful girl.

From the Chicago Inter-Ocean.

"Dalton said he felt awfully cheap last night when Miss Savauch accepted him."

Morton—"Why?"

"Because she never takes anything unless it's a bargain."

MacDonald's China was factory at St. John's, Quebec, and destroyed by fire Saturday night.

TO CONNECT THE LAKES AND GULF.

Capitalists Are Ho Interested in the Lake Erie and Ohio Ship Canal.

PITTSBURG, March 6.—A project having for its object the construction and equipment, with private capital of the long-talked-of ship canal between Lake Erie and the Ohio river is receiving the serious consideration of well-known capitalists, as well as financiers from other large business centers.

The first practical move toward carrying out this immense project will be started on March 20 at a meeting to be held in the city of Pittsburgh. The project is now in progress. There will be present at the meeting many of the financiers who have expressed willingness to invest in the enterprise, and the preliminary steps toward the organization of the company will be taken.

The enterprise will involve the expenditure of \$27,000,000.

Two routes of the canal have been surveyed by authority of the state, but the apathy and indifference of the capitalists at this point of favorable recommendation has led those who have foreseen the great advantages of such a waterway between the lake and the Ohio river to Mexico to the organization of a private corporation, concerning which much encouragement is already at hand.

HIS LIFE PROLONGED BY ELIXIR.

Taine Rallied After Taking the Brown Sequard Fluid, but It Couldn't Save Him.

PARIS, March 6.—The death of M. Hippolyte Adolph Taine, member of the French academy, which was announced in these dispatches last night, was due to diabetes and pulmonary catarrhs. He had been suffering for a year, and actually died the previous evening. M. Pasteur, recourse was had to injections of the Brown-Sequard fluid, about which so much had been heard a year or so ago. After the fluid was injected M. Taine rallied and seemed improvement was shown in his condition that his friends believed he would recover.

On Sunday, however, he suffered a relapse. He conversed briefly with friends who called upon him. Early yesterday afternoon he told his wife that he had had a dream in which he heard of the death of M. Taine, and the performance of a Greek play. Later he took a small quantity of nourishment and shortly afterwards he died. His fresh injection of the Brown-Sequard fluid was administered, but it had no effect. A small cup of coffee was given to M. Taine, and while he was attempting to drink it he fell back and expired.

THE POPE PLEASED.

He Will Send His Blessing to Those Who Give Mgr. Satelli a Home.

ROME, March 6.—Pope Leo is gratified by the offer of American Catholics to give to Mgr. Satelli a residence in Washington as a present in honor of the pope's Episcopal jubilee, and his holiness will send his benediction to the donors. It is reported that Dr. O'Connell, the American secretary to the papal legation, has been making a high position and that the delay in America in the assumption by the Rev. P. Z. Rooker of Albany as secretary of the Holy See is due to the negotiations in regard to the Rev. Rooker succeeding Dr. O'Connell.

THEY WANTED TO LYCH HIM.

Negroes Struggling to Seize One of Their Own Race.

HONOLULU, K., March 6.—A tragedy which came near ending in a riot and lynching occurred on San Felipe street yesterday afternoon. W. T. Jones, a diabetic negro, was quarreling with a sister, who was also drunk. The mother interfered, when the son seized an oak budgeon and struck his mother's skull to pieces. Officers arrived quickly and shot the negro dead over a thousand negroes. They demanded that the prisoner be turned over to them that they might lynch him.

The officers drew their revolvers and forced a passage through the mob to an electric car. The car was then slowly started toward the station. The crowd followed the car almost to the station, and only a large detail of police prevented a lynching.

Gen. James' Condition Better.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Ex-Postmaster General Thomas L. James, who is ill with pneumonia at the Murray Hill Hotel, is rapidly improving and his physicians express the hope that he will have entirely recovered in a few days. The reports that he had a relapse yesterday afternoon is denied.

Undergraduate Idea of Hunger.

HARTFORD, CONN., March 6.—J. C. Underwood and E. G. Pittladro, freshmen at Trinity College, were hazed with such rigor Saturday morning that serious consequences are likely to result to them.

On Saturday morning they were dragged out of bed and compelled to sit down in turn in a punch bowl full of ice water and snow and imitate rowing a boat. They were then ordered to lie down in the water by wet towels, which they were compelled to throw at each other. Four times the punishment was repeated. They were then allowed to return to their beds in the suite of rooms occupied by the freshmen. The faculty may take decisive measures in the matter.

Mexican Central Appointments.

CITY OF MEXICO, March 6.—A number of appointments of officers of the Mexican Central railroad have been announced from the headquarters of the line in this city. Adam Hoffman has been appointed general freight agent; N. R. Wilkins, general passenger agent; J. H. Johnson, Jr., S. O. Lewis, superintendent of transportation; H. A. Young, car accountant, and E. E. Stines, superintendent of City of Mexico division. The same announcements were made by the company in railroad circles in the republic.

Stole a Tray of Diamonds.

STOUT CITY, Mo., March 6.—Somewhere last night the jewelry store of P. P. Johnston at Omaha and while the clerk was engaged took a tray with \$10,000 worth of diamonds and went out. The diamonds and thief were never heard of. It has been learned that the thief is a fugitive named Ed Hurst, on term in the Kansas penitentiary for forgery under the name of Ed H. Hurst. He was once a stone mason. Later he passed forged checks in Omaha, Kansas City, Sioux City and other places and committed the diamond robbery.

The Chicago Fire Enriched This Man.

UTICA, N. Y., March 6.—Louis De Villers Hoard was found dead in his bed at his home in Glenview, N. Y., March 6.—Some thirty years he was a member of the brewery firm of Hoard & Seymour, but about 1894 he sold his business to Morgan, Arnold & Co. and went west to live. He was a resident of Cook county, and from the nature of his business came into possession of the official copy of a large portion of the records of Cook county. After a great fire, other records being destroyed, the city was obliged to use these copies, which put a fortune into Mr. Hoard's hands. This he spent mainly for the poor.

Counterfeiters Captured.

WHEELING, W. VA., March 6.—John G. Webb and William J. Boyer, who have been flooding the state with counterfeit coins, have been captured by the federal authorities. Their "factory" is at Bellevue, near Parkersburg, and the officers have made a big haul of bogus coin.

Crushed to Death in a Collision.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 6.—A bad rear-end collision occurred at Bellington, Minn., yesterday. A mixed train of the Great Northern road was a freight train crashed into it. The mail and passenger coaches were telescoped. Five started immediately and the cars were soon derailed. Men were killed and injured. The train stalled in the coach and was crushed to death.

Vancouver, B. C., March 6.—A prize fight took place early yesterday morning in a brick yard on Howe Sound, a few miles from here, between Frank Britton of Vancouver and George Hicks of Honolulu. The fight was for the welterweight championship of British Columbia and \$300 a side.

Six rounds were fought when Britton struck Hicks on the head and the referee ruled a stoppage. A mixed crowd of spectators had gathered and became disorderly and a free fight ensued. The stakeholder refused to surrender the stakes.